

PROJECT COVER SHEET
CALIFORNIA CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL ENDOWMENT BOARD

September 13, 2005

Summary: The attached resolution will approve a CCHE grant for the BISHOP MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY (Laws Museum Artifact Preservation Stamp Mill and Textile Storage Project) in the amount of \$111,595. The project is more fully described in Attachment 1, "Staff Report".

Recommended Action: The California Cultural and Historical Endowment Board (CCHE Board) adopt the attached Board Resolution No. 05-A5.

Background

The requested grant will fund:

- The design and construction of two structures, including site work
- The restoration and installation of the Rudolph Gold Mine Stamp Mill
- Design and installation of permanent storage and interpretive displays

Fiscal Information

This grant is being presented to the CCHE Board for approval of funding. In 2002, CCHE received an appropriation from Proposition 40 in the amount of \$128 million for project grants.

Accordingly, the CCHE Board has the authority to approve funding for this project.

Funding Source: Proposition 40 (California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002)

Total Project Amount Recommended: \$111,595

List of Attachments

Attachment 1 – CCHE Staff Report

Attachment 2 – CCHE Board Resolution No. 05-A5

CCHE STAFF REPORT ROUND 1, CYCLE 1

GENERAL INFORMATION

Project #: A-5 **CCHE Funds Reserved:** \$111,595

Organization Name: Bishop Museum and Historical Society

Project Name: Laws Museum Artifact Preservation & Stamp Mill and Textile Storage

Project Type: New construction; restoration of stamp mill

Project Site (city and county): City of Bishop, Inyo County

Date of Report: September 13, 2005

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The entire project consists of:

- The budget for the entire project is \$247,995 and consists of:
 - Constructing two wooden structures that will house a historic stamp mill and will store and protect the museum's collection of textile resources.
 - Restoring the Rudolph Gold Mine Stamp Mill to an operational condition.
 - Incorporating interpretive displays of some textiles, mining equipment and minerals.

Amount Requested in the Grant Application:

- The applicant requested \$111,595 from CCHE in its grant application to fund:
 - The design and construction of the structures, including site work
 - The restoration and installation of the stamp mill
 - Designing and installing storage and interpretive displays

CHANGES TO THE ORIGINAL GRANT APPLICATION

☒ No changes.

☐ Yes, there have been changes.

UNRESOLVED AREAS

☒ No unresolved areas.

☐ Yes, there are unresolved areas.

1. Construction Type

- ☒ New Structure ☐ Existing Structure ☐ Mural Restoration
☐ Historic
☐ Non-historic

☐ Site Work (landscaping, parking, etc.): Preparing the site for the two new structures

☒ Other: Stamp mill restoration

2. CEQA Compliance

Lead Agency: California Cultural and Historical Endowment

CEQA Documentation: Notice of Exemption

3. New Structure Construction

Does this project involve new structure construction? ☒ YES ☐ NO

3.a. Structure Information

What is the exact address of the structure? Silver Canyon Road, Bishop, County of Inyo.

What type of structure will be built? Two wooden storage structures

Who holds title to the structure? The County of Inyo

What type of title is held? Fee simple

Who holds title to the land? Inyo County

What type of title is held? Fee simple

Will any part of the structure be leased to an organization other than the Grant Applicant? ☐ YES ☒ NO

4. Existing Structure Construction

Does this project involve construction on an existing structure? ☐ YES ☒ NO

5. Site Construction

Does this project involve any site work? ☒ YES ☐ NO

What is the exact address of the site? Silver Canyon Road, Bishop, County of Inyo.

Who holds title to the site? County of Inyo
What type of title is held? Fee simple

6. Other Construction

Does this project involve any other construction? ☐ YES ☒ NO

7. Budget and Matching Fund Summary

7.a. Budget Categories Recommended for Funding:

Budget Summary: _____

Category/Description	Expected Useful Life	Amount
Design of structures		\$14,905
Construction of structures		\$75,032
Installation and restoration of stamp mill & mining equipment		\$10,158
Design and installation of interpretive displays and storage		\$11,500
TOTAL		\$111,595

7.c. Matching Fund Sources and Amounts

Matching Fund Summary: _____

Matching Fund Source	Restrictions	Amount
In-kind labor		\$168,615
TOTAL		\$168,615

10. Staff Recommendations

Fund at this amount: \$111,595

Funding conditions: _____

**CALIFORNIA CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL ENDOWMENT BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 05-A5**

RESOLUTION APPROVING A CALIFORNIA CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL ENDOWMENT (CCHE) GRANT AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER, OR DESIGNEE, TO PROCESS THE APPROVED GRANT FOR THE BISHOP MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

WHEREAS, the CCHE is dedicated to preserving historic and cultural resources; and

WHEREAS, CCHE has received an appropriation from Proposition 40 (The California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002); and

WHEREAS, CCHE may distribute funds from Proposition 40 to projects that provide a thread of California's culture and historical resources; and

WHEREAS, the project application listed below constitutes an eligible Project for purposes of receiving CCHE funds; and

WHEREAS, the Project listed below meets the objectives of the CCHE program; and

WHEREAS, CCHE, Lead Agency for the Laws Museum Artifact Preservation Stamp Mill and Textile Storage Project, finds that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 15301 (Class 1- Existing Facilities) as the Project involves no expansion or intensity of use of the existing Laws Museum; and Section 15303 (Class 3- New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) as one portion of the Project consists of the construction of two new small structures and the number of structures are below the maximum allowable on the parcel; and

WHEREAS, CCHE has independently considered the environmental effects of the Project as shown in the attached Notice of Exemption prepared by CCHE staff, and finds as set forth in the attached Findings that, the Project will not have any significant environmental effects; and

WHEREAS, approval of this grant application shall be conditioned upon the grantee's complying with all applicable laws and regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the CCHE Board hereby finds that the proposed grant of funds for the Laws Museum Artifact Preservation Stamp Mill and Textile Storage Project qualifies for CEQA Categorical Exemption Section 15301, Class 1, and Section 15303, Class 3; approves the proposed grant to the BISHOP MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY (the Laws Museum Artifact Preservation Stamp Mill and Textile Storage Project) in the amount of \$111,595 for the construction of two small

structures and the installation of small equipment into the new structures; authorizes the Executive Officer, or designee, to process the approved grant and take all necessary actions to enter into a grant agreement with the applicant, subject to availability of appropriated funds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that CCHE adopts the attached Findings for the Laws Museum Artifact Preservation Stamp Mill and Textile Storage Project attached to this Resolution; and directs the Executive Officer, or designee, to file a Notice of Exemption for the Project with the State Clearinghouse, and that this project funded under Round One, Cycle One is subject to a 10% reduction from its overall budget submitted to CCHE, pending the final budget for all projects during this cycle.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Chair of the CCHE Board of Directors does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the CCHE Board of Directors held September 13, 2005.

Dated: September 13, 2005

Signature: _____

Susan Hildreth
Chair, CCHE Board of Directors

FINDINGS

Laws Museum Artifact Preservation Stamp Mill and Textile Storage

The following Findings are presented by the California Cultural and Historical Endowment (CCHE) pursuant to CEQA, Public Resources Code, Section 21000 et seq. and CEQA Guidelines, Section 15096.

I. ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS

In October 2004, the Bishop Museum and Historical Society submitted a grant application to CCHE for the Laws Museum Artifact Preservation Stamp Mill and Textile Storage. The Project is located on Silver Canyon Road, Bishop, County of Inyo. In February 2005 CCHE staff visited the project site and met with the Laws Museum staff to discuss the details of the Project. The Project consists of building two wooden structures to house a historic stamp mill and store and protect some of the museum's collection of textile resources. The Project also involves restoring the Rudolph Gold Mine Stamp Mill to an operational condition and incorporating interpretive displays inside the structures. In March 2005 the Inyo County Planning Department staff met with the Laws Museum staff to review the Project. The ensuing letter by the Planning Department dated March 14, 2005 indicates the Project is consistent with the Inyo County General Plan as well as with the zoning for the site.

II. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

CCHE, acting as the Lead Agency, prepared the attached Notice of Exemption. The project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Categorical Exemption Section 15301- Existing Facilities- which exempts projects that involve negligible or no expansion of uses beyond that existing at the time of the Lead Agency's determination, and Section 15303- New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures which allows construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures; and the conversion of existing small structures from one use to another where only minor modifications are made in the exterior of the structure. The Project proposes the construction of two new small structures. No significant adverse impacts are associated with approval of the Project.

III. ADDITIONAL FINDINGS

- A.** The CCHE has reviewed and considered the environmental effects of the Project as reflected in the Project application and related documents; discussions with the project applicants; the Inyo County general Plan; the Inyo County Zoning Ordinance; and the March 14, 2005 letter issued by the Inyo County Planning Department.
- B.** No significant adverse impacts are associated with approval of the Project.

C. The CCHE hereby finds that the Project is Categorical Exempt from CEQA pursuant to Categorical Exemption Section 15301 and 15303.